

## DITTON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF DITTON PARISH COUNCIL HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER  
AT DITTON COMMUNITY CENTRE ON MONDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2017

PRESENT: CLLRS. M J PORTER (CHAIRMAN), A PIPER (VICE-CHAIRMAN), P DALTON,  
MRS J DEARDEN, MRS K DENNISON, J LOVER, S McDERMOTT, A MULCUCK &  
MRS J THWAITES  
MRS N GREENAWAY [Clerk of the Council]  
KCC COUNTY CLLR P HOMEWOOD & BOROUGH. CLLR T CANNON

185. **OPENING OF MEETING**

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm.

186. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were **RECEIVED** from Cllrs Beadle, Mrs Beadle and Mrs Throssell. The previously notified reasons for absence were **ACCEPTED** and **APPROVED** and recorded in the absence book Ref.367. Apologies were also received from Borough Cllr Walker.

187. **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

There were no declarations of interest.

188. **CASUAL VACANCY**

It was **NOTED** that following the resignation of Cllr Price, the vacancy had been registered with TMBC and if no election is called within the statutory time then the Council may co-opt.

189. **CONFIRMATION & SIGNING OF MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD  
7<sup>th</sup> AUGUST 2017**

The minutes of the above meeting were **CONFIRMED** and **SIGNED** as a true record.

190. **MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising.

191. **CORRESPONDENCE**

(a) For Noting

The following correspondence was **CIRCULATED** at the meeting and **READ** and **NOTED**:-

Ditton Twinning Assoc.      Minutes of Meeting – 1.08.2017

KALC:	<u>Parish News, August 2017</u>
	<u>Reform of Data Protection</u>
	<u>Local Plan Presentation from T&amp;M KALC Mtg</u>
KCC:	<u>Temporary Road Closures – T&amp;M and Maidstone</u>
Air Ambulance:	<u>Thank you &amp; donation of old £1 coins</u>
Downsmail:	<u>August 2017</u>
NaCTSO:	<u>National Counter Terrorism Policing HQ</u>
Bluebird Care:	<u>Living with Dementia</u>
(b) <u>For Decision</u>	
KALC:	<u>Events – Autumn 2017</u> <b>READ and NOTED</b>
Highways England:	<u>M20 Jct 3-5 Smart Motorway Public Exhibitions</u> <b>READ and NOTED</b> <u>M2 Junction 5 Improvements Public Consultations</u> <b>READ and NOTED</b>

192. **FINANCE**(a) Accounts for Payment**RESOLVED** the following accounts be **ACCEPTED, APPROVED** and **PAID:-**

Salaries: Monthly Paid	Gross: 14298.93	Net: 11735.97
Weekly paid - caretakers	Gross: 4871.60	Net: 4296.86
- bar	Gross: 2872.66	Net: 2816.08
Astra Security Systems:	Keys for allotments/track	121.98
		Vat <u>24.40</u> 146.38
Aqua Aid:	Water	42.45
		Vat <u>8.49</u> 50.94
Commercial Services Trading Ltd:	August Vehicle Hire	302.78
		Vat <u>60.56</u> 363.34
Day Tree Fellers:	Reduction of Poplar, Bradbourne Lane & remove arisings	1041.67
		Vat <u>208.33</u> 1250.00
Emprise Services plc:	Alarm activation - site attendance	35.18
		Vat <u>7.04</u> 42.22
Fields in Trust:	Annual Subscription	50.00
Forge Engineering:	Welding of Goal End	125.00
		Vat <u>25.00</u> 150.00

Host my Office:	Computer hosting September	223.50	
		Vat <u>44.70</u>	268.20
Lamberhurst Engineering:	Chainsaw, clothing and safety equipment	594.30	
		Vat <u>118.87</u>	713.17
Rob Large Plumbing:	Repair to KB Urinals		225.00
Lister Wilder:	Kubota part	70.81	
		Vat <u>14.17</u>	84.97
Parker Merchating:	Various OSA Supplies	21.01	
		Vat <u>4.20</u>	25.21
RTS Creative:	Signs for NRRG Play Area	170.00	
		Vat <u>32.00</u>	192.00
PPL:	Public Performance Licence	583.05	
		Vat <u>116.61</u>	699.66
PSR Lighting & Signs:	Replace faulty lamp + call out CC Car park	176.30	
		Vat <u>33.26</u>	199.56

#### **DPC IMPREST ACCOUNT – AUGUST 2017**

Brought Forward July 2017		1541.08	
Reimbursement		<u>959.92*</u>	
		2500.00	
<b><u>Expenses</u></b>			
Voucher Charge	3.25		
Bar Petty Cash	95.51		
Petty Cash	143.96		
“ “	105.62	348.54*	
		<u>2151.46</u>	
		2500.00	

\* Sum to be transferred on 4<sup>th</sup> September to return the balance to £2500.00

#### (b) Payment made Paid between Meetings

The following date sensitive payment was **READ, NOTED** and **APPROVED:-**

Commercial Services	July Vehicle Hire	302.78	
Trading Ltd:		Vat <u>60.56</u>	363.34

#### (c) Direct Debits Paid During July 2017

The following Direct Debits were **READ, NOTED** and **APPROVED:-**

03.07.17	Investec Asset Fin	127.37
04.07.17	Wex Europe	101.68
05.07.17	RBOS PLC Mentor	323.98
07.07.17	Sky Business	308.40
08.07.17	Matthew Clark	867.13
14.07.17	Matthew Clark	487.75
17.07.17	Sage Software	19.20

18.07.17	Rentokil Initial	140.24
17.07.17	Your Energy (elec)	1271.00
19.07.17	BT Group PLC	104.16
19.07.17	Worldpay	96.09
19.07.17	Siemens Fin Services	1100.85
20.07.17	CMG (gas)	1506.03
20.07.17	Heineken on Trade	7162.07
25.07.17	Wex Europe	23.08
25.07.17	BOC Manchester	138.00
27.07.17	BT Group	272.04
27.07.17	Nest Pensions	60.61
28.07.17	Veolia ES UK Ltd	327.60
29.07.17	NCS Group Ltd	16.50
31.07.17	NCS Group Ltd	47.64

(d) BACs Payments made During July 2017

The following BACs payments were **READ, NOTED** and **APPROVED:-**

12.07.17	HMRC (eoy adjustment)	202.52
12.07.17	HMRC (MGD)	145.52
17.07.17	HMRC	3571.06
17.07.17	KCC Pensions	2501.78
25.07.17	EDF (Cedar Rm Electric)	501.86

(e) Debit Card Payments – July 2017

The following Debit Card Payments were **READ, NOTED** and **APPROVED:-**

04.07.17	Tesco (lunch items for hirer)	87.00
07.07.17	Tool Station (OSA/CC Supplies)	44.41
24.07.17	Lovely Flora World (flowers J Grimes)	14.99
25.07.17	Tool Station (OSA/CC Supplies)	56.94
25.07.17	Tools Today (OSA supplies)	29.94
27.07.17	Tool Station (OSA/CC Supplies)	76.94

193. **REPORTS FROM BOROUGH & COUNTY COUNCILLORS**

County Cllr Homewood advised August had been a fairly quiet month at the County Council. He advise he had received the report about the “sink hole” in Woodlands Road and passed this on and Kent Highways had responded immediately.

Cllr Mulcuck thanked Cllr Homewood for his donation towards pictures for the Heritage Centre and the Clerk thanked him for kindly agreeing to provide a grant towards new seats at New Road Recreation Ground.

Borough Councillor Cannon **REPORTED** on the following matters:

- A hit and run in Woodlands Road resulting in damage to multiple vehicles – unfortunately TMBC has no CCTV, he understand the insurance company is checking for anything on the London Road Cameras.
- Woodlands Road path – TMBC can provide no further assistance as it is a private land matter.

194. **REPORT FROM PARISH CONSTABLE/COMMUNITY POLICE**

A report from the PCSO was **CIRCULATED** and crimes for August and advice on how to avoid scams were **READ** and **NOTED**.

195. **DATE SENSITIVE PLANNING, HIGHWAYS AND TRANSPORTATION MATTERS**(a) Plans for Comment

TM/17/02050/FL  <b>RESOLVED</b>	Two storey side extension (re-submission of TM/17/01600/FL) NO OBJECTION.	86 Fernleigh Rise
TM/17/01934/FL  <b>RESOLVED</b>	Variation of condition 2 (opening hours) of planning consent reference TM/12/03666/FL to allow opening on Sunday <i>and bank</i> holidays between 17:00 and 20:00 hours NO OBJECTION.	Dang Takeaway
TM/17/01890/FL <b>RESOLVED</b>	Proposed driveway and dropped kerb THIS COUNCIL OBJECTS TO THIS APPLICATION AS IT WILL BE DANGEROUS FOR VEHICLES TO LEAVE AND ENTER THE A20 HERE AND ALSO THE PUBLIC FOOTPATH IS NARROW AT THIS POINT.	653 London Rd
TM/17/02170/FL	Alterations to existing permission TM/16/00955/FL approved September 2016 Proposal for an extension to provide office space and an enlarged restaurant and dining area with pool rooms and viewing terrace, proposal for 2 mobile catering units in Carpark area	Sports & Social Club Station Rd

**RESOLVED** THIS COUNCIL SUPPORTS THE NEIGHBOUR COMMENTS:

- that the public right of way must be kept intact with no obstructions
- the car park area is not raised as it is on a flood plain
- the operators of the facility are asked to be considerate of neighbours as complaints of noise from their customers leaving have been received

This council would also request more information about the proposed mobile catering units:

- why are they necessary when there are catering facilities within the current set up?
- what will the operating hours be?
- are they for use of the customers only or will they will be open to the public? If so this will generate a lot more noise and traffic which would not be welcome to the residents and it would cause traffic issues as the entrance is close to the traffic lights on the Station Road/A20 junction
- noise – there is likely to be more noise when these catering units are in use.

It was **NOTED** that further correspondence had been received from residents who are still concerned that construction is progressing with the further pitch without the issues of flooding being resolved and also that additional trees are being removed without consent to do so. It was suggested the Planning Enforcement “lighter touch” approach is to take no action.

**RESOLVED** to write again to TMBC to ask why the developer is allowed continue with work and no action is being taken by Enforcement until it is too late.

(b) Meeting Re Hermitage Lane – 12<sup>th</sup> September

**RESOLVED** Cllrs Porter and Dalton will attend this meeting at Teston Parish Council.

(c) Meeting to Discuss Development at Aylesford Newsprint

**NOTED** this meeting would take place in the Ditton Parish Council Chamber at 7.30pm on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September and all members who wished to, may attend, along with members of Aylesford Parish Council and representatives from the developer. It was further **NOTED** that East Malling and Larkfield Parish Council were not taking part in this joint meeting. It was suggested they be asked why they preferred to have a separate meeting and if possible could this Council's Planning Chair attend.

196. **REMEMBRANCE DAY**

**NOTED** all arrangements are in hand. The Clerk advised that she had had a discussion with Rev Terranova about the future of continuing to hold two services but it was felt it should be continued until 2018 and then be re-visited.

197. **MATTERS ARISING FROM "CORRESPONDENCE FOR NOTING"**

There were no matters arising.

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*In view of the confidential nature of the following business, In accordance with Standing Orders 27 & 50, The Chairrman advised that the remainder of the meeting exclude the press and public.*  
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198. **INCIDENT IN KILNBARN BAR**

The Clerk **REPORTED** that a customer had broken a table in anger after he was refused another drink because he had drunk too much and his behaviour had become anti-social and as a result had been issued with an immediate temporary ban from the bar.

The Clerk further **REPORTED** that the customer had personally apologised to her for his actions and offered to pay for a replacement table.

**RESOLVED** the Clerk will further discuss this incident with the duty bar person on the night of the incident and bar manager and subject to their agreement, a letter be sent to the customer advising he will be allowed back in to the bar subject to him paying for the table and that any re-occurrence of such behaviour would result in the ban being re-invoked.

199. **CLOSURE**

The meeting closed at 8.21pm.